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Brewery commemorates officer

'Amor Angela' to benefit Boys & Girls Club

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Chicopee Police Officer Angela Santiago was recently commemorated when Drunken Rabbit Brewery collaborated with Santiago's family to craft a beer in her honor. The South Hadley business will donate a portion of all sales to Santiago's favorite charity, the Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee.

Santiago, age 33, lost her life unexpectedly on June 16 during an off-duty motorcycle crash on Interstate-91 in East Windsor, Connecticut. In the face of tragedy, Santiago's family stood tall, inspiring the Drunken Rabbit to make the most fantastic of gestures.

"There's been a collaboration with the family; the family came in and helped us brew 'Amor Angela.' They were part of the process. We decided to make a sour beer with passion fruit; orange and guava, which are flavors that the family thought she would be all about," said Bruno Coelho, head brewer and owner of the Drunken Rabbit Brewery on New Ludlow Road.

Santiago's family joined the staff of the brewery this past Saturday and Sunday, which opened in December 2017.

Coelho was blown away by the courage and spirit embodied by Santiago's family. "This family is very strong, very tight and very close," said Coelho. "It was actually a very uplifting experience for the entire brew crew. We had a blast working with them. They're just good people who went through something horrible, and we're super excited to be able to do something positive for them."

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Above, Chicopee School Resource Officer Angela Santiago was beloved in the city of Chicopee, and a beer produced by Drunken Rabbit Brewery has been named in her honor. Left, Graphics for the newly-released beer 'Amor Angela' at the Drunken Rabbit Brewery in South Hadley. *COURTESY PHOTOS*

COMMUNITY

Full-time union work denied, 'all teachers needed'

Christine Avery was one of several hundred Chicopee educators and residents who rallied outside of last week's School Committee meeting. *TURLEY PUBLICATIONS STAFF PHOTO BY DALTON ZBIERSKI*

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

Chicopee Education Association President Laura Demakis has been relentless in her pursuit to gain the district funding and protect the interests of the teachers she serves.

Demakis, a Bellamy Middle School teacher, is well-respected throughout the district, but the School Committee denied her request for full-time release to serve exclusively in her role as the head of the teachers' union.

The committee voted 10-2 against Demakis' request during its Sept. 2 meeting. Last year, Demakis was awarded part-time release from her teaching duty, allowing her to teach for two periods each day and use the remainder of the day to pursue CEA interests.

"I've always voted against this in the past. Last time because of all the hard work she did to get the Student Opportunity Act I reluctantly said yes to it. I can't say yes to it this time because of all that I've seen," said Ward 7 School Committee member Donald Lamothe, referring to tension growing between the School Committee and the CEA over the district's decision to return to in-person learning.

The CEA, compromised of more than 1,000 Chicopee educators, has maintained a strong and boisterous presence outside recent School Committee meetings at both Chicopee Comprehensive High School and the district headquarters at 180 Broadway St.

Demakis has led the rallies, helping to coordinate hundreds of educators to advocate together for safe working con-

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Council set meeting about school air quality

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – During the Sept. 3 meeting of the City Council an extensive conversation addressed lingering concerns about the quality of air circulating throughout Chicopee's schools.

The Council approved a motion Ward 7 Councilor William Courchesne to have the Board of Health, the Education Subcommittee and Human Resources Director Richard Merchant schedule a meeting to discuss the matter. An unnamed School Committee member brought the matter up with Courchesne, Courchesne said.

"This has probably been a problem going on for years that we just never invested in, but at the current time, [it's important] to have good air quality," said Courchesne.

Courchesne voiced his optimism that the school district can implement a new yearly maintenance position; the employee would bear the responsibility of monitoring air quality in each of the city's schools.

"We want to make this somebody's job description so that way it gets done every year. That's why we're having a meeting with all those different [parties]," said Courchesne.

Councilor-at-Large Frank Laflamme agreed with Courchesne's motion but noted it would be nearly impossible for one city employee to bear the brunt of monitoring the entire district's air quality.

"I don't think you can have that job description for one person; you need six or seven or eight guys for control of air," said Laflamme. "You bring in 10% of outside air, and they got to do that throughout each unit so I think [Chicopee Public Schools Maintenance Director] Scott Chaplain has been working on that as we speak, but we'll see what happens."

James Tillitson, a Councilor-at-Large, stated that he's watched the past several School Committee meetings with close attention. He cited a development from the previous evening's meeting and inquired as to the necessity of Courchesne's specific motion.

"[The district] already funded a $48,000 contract to an engineering company to come out and check all the quality of the air and the ventilations," said Tillitson. "They made a motion, the School Committee themselves, to send a request to their maintenance committee to review that report. I just wonder, should we get involved with the schools?"

Tillitson said he believes the school district is adequately handling the issue of ventilation. With schools readying themselves to welcome back students, Tillitson was hesitant to add more to the district's plate.

"I've watched all of their last two or three meetings, and they're really having a difficult time trying to come up with all of the different things that they're dealing with," he said. "I'm not opposed to what [Courchesne] has on his agenda tonight; I'm just pointing out so that the public understands based on what I saw and heard at the School Committee last night, they are definitely working to improve the quality of air."

Chaplain was on-hand in the City Council Chambers for last Thursday's meeting. The Council requested his perspective regarding ventilation in the district and the meeting that Courchesne proposed.

Chaplain confirmed that the district has had a busy summer, referencing the multiple reopening plans for which preparations were made, and the process included taking a close look at air quality.

"We signed the contract to start the studies of the air handlers and ventilation rates in all the buildings," said Chaplain. "Of course, four times a year we replace all filters, go through the duct work in the buildings, vacuum all the coilers and all the air handlers and go through all the unit vents. We stay on top of the buildings, all of the buildings, to make sure that we have air flow in all buildings."

In response to Courchesne's invitation of the Health Department and HR Director to the proposed meeting, Chaplain made it clear that neither department "has equipment to test air flow or quality of air."

Chaplain said air quality is typically at its worst during the school year when countless students and teachers enter and leave facilities each and every day. With the buildings empty for several months, the existence of an air pollutants is less likely.

Referring to the Health Department, Chaplain applauded the professionalism of Health Director Lisa Sanders. "Lisa Sanders is one of the best employees in the city of Chicopee," he said. "If you need her for anything, she's there."

Chaplain made it clear he attended the meetings to answer any and all questions. He also said he was off put upon learning of Courchesne's motion to hold the meeting.

"It kind of threw me a little aside that a School Committee member would call a City Councilor to get this on the agenda without bringing it to the School Committee first on a study like this. I don't think it needs to go to this level. I appreciate that you guys are supporting the schools and making sure everything is up to par, but I just didn't think it would come to this level," said Chaplain.

Council President Shane Brooks recommended that Courchesne speak further with Chaplain going forward. City Council unanimously approved Courchesne's motion to schedule a meeting with the parties he intended to invite; further details are not yet available.

Street sign changes coming

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – As a direct result of last Thursday's meeting of the City Council, a number of street signs in Chicopee will be either removed, installed or replaced by the Department of Public Works. More than half a dozen items relating to the changes appeared on the Sept. 3 meeting agenda.

Ward 8 Councilor Gary Labrie began the discussion, motioning for the Department of Public Works to remove the 30 mph sign at 12 Columba St. adjacent to the side of Belcher Elementary School. He explained that the action is necessary, as another sign farther down the street reads 25 mph.

There currently is no existing ordinance for a speed limit on Columba Street, but the City Council unanimously supported Labrie's request. City Council President Shane Brooks summarized the motion.

"This is to create some consistency in respect to having signs that weren't identical on the same street. There was one sign that was posted at 30 mph and on the opposite side of the street there was a 25mph sign. This will make them consistent with one another and hopefully eliminate confusion and slow the speed down," said Brooks.

As the meeting continued, Councilors-at-Large James Tillitson and Robert Zygarowski joined Labrie in ordering City Engineer Douglas Ellis and Fire Chief Dan Stamborski inspect Concord Street to determine if it is safe to remove a "No Parking" sign at 29 Concord St.

Concord Street is a dead end road that runs only several hundred yards, and the city has posted "No Parking" signs beside most of the properties on the street. However, the property at 29 Concord St. is located at the end of street, and it is unlikely that a parked car would prevent another vehicle from turning around.

"This is something that came up, and I talked to Councilors Zygarowski and Tillitson on that," said Labrie. "We all agreed that we're going to let the engineer and the Fire Chief look at it to see if it's safe. With the woman at 29 Concord, I believe that she should not have a 'No Parking' sign in front of her house even though there's no parking on [the other] side of the street."

Labrie noted that he's spoken with "two immediate neighbors," who have both requested the sign remain in place. Regardless, Labrie prefers that Ellis and Stamborski review the situation, and the council unanimously supported the motion.

"I think that it will solve the problem, and the people who want it removed will get an answer from the professionals," said Tillitson. "It won't be the councilors saying that it's necessary; it would be the professionals saying that it's necessary to keep the sign there [or remove it]."

City Council addressed conflicting traffic signs on Columba Street during its Sept. 3 meeting.

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Town safety officials will soon be visiting 29 Concord St. to determine if a "No Parking" sign adjacent to the property can safely be removed.

The council also approved a motion made by Zygarowski to install "Slow Children" signs near the curves and telephone poles located at both 242 Woodcrest Dr. and 263 Woodcrest Dr. Zygarowski explained.

"This was the result of a constituent," Zygarowski said. "I was up there for another problem on a tree from Woodcrest to where the kids walk down to go to [Chicopee Comprehensive High School], and this was brought up by the people who live there. I said I would take care of it for them."

Slow Children signs will also be added near the property lines at 30 and 44 Marlborough St. and 55 and 65 Marlborough St. The council unanimously approved the motion made by Ward 5 Councilor Frederick Krampits, which he filed at the request of a Marlborough Street resident.

"Like in many neighborhoods, there's a turnover in the neighborhood going on, and younger families are moving in with children," said Krampits. "It is kind of used as a cut through for folks trying to get from Broadway Street to St. James Avenue so in order to help reduce speeding on that road we're going to put up some signs in that neighborhood to

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Celebrating 25 years of teaching children

CHICOPEE – Lisa Martin is celebrating her 25th year in business at Side By Side Preschool and Childcare center.

When COVID-19 restrictions began in March she had to close. But she has worked hard on a reopening plan, even creating a remote learning classroom for school-age children to learn away from home.

Lisa Martin, owner of Side By Side Preschool and Childcare Center in Chicopee holds up balloons celebrating her 25th year providing child care for area children.

Lisa Martin, owner of Side By Side Preschool and Childcare Center in Chicopee with staff as they gather for a photo to celebrate her 25th year in business.

Diane and Dave Crevier have been maintaining the courtyard of Fairview Veterans Memorial Elementary School for the past two years. The staff and students cannot thank them enough.

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Adam Gomez defeats five-term senator

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

An excited and ambitious public servant will soon travel to Boston to represent the Hampden District in the Massachusetts State House. Current Springfield City Council Vice President Adam Gomez defeated five-term incumbent state Sen. James Welch in the Sept. 1 Democratic primary election.

With no Republican on the ballot for the Nov. 3 general election, Gomez is expected to easily claim the seat held by Welch for the past decade. Gomez scored 10,270 votes compared to Welch's 6,929, securing a 20% margin of victory last Tuesday.

"It was overwhelming, but we knew we worked hard," said Gomez. "We're amazed and grateful. You have to pinch yourself and say, 'Wow, we did it.' My team, my family and the community are really the ones who earned this win."

Throughout his campaign, Gomez prioritized issues relating to housing, economic development, transportation, health care and education. The former Chicopee resident is a small business owner and father of three.

After years of serving as an activist, Gomez was inspired to run for public office to expand his reach. Since first joining the Springfield City Council in 2015, Gomez said he has built strong and diverse community relationships by maintaining an open door policy.

Adam Gomez

"It's about activity and standing on a bold platform that's inclusive to everyone," he said. "I don't have corporate interests; I only have people interests. I come from nothing but at the same time come from a service family that is ready to serve on a moment's notice."

Gomez will serve as the Massachusetts' first Afro-Latino senator. Concerned by the civil unrest that is plaguing the nation, Gomez strongly believes now is the time to act.

"I feel that people's feelings and emotions have been running rampant since the election of [President] Donald Trump," said Gomez. "We need to understand that we're all Americans; we all want the same things. We want equity, we want access; we want to make sure our seniors are getting everything they need to live out their days and make sure they're not struggling."

Attaining police accountability is at the forefront of Gomez' vision. Bothered by qualified immunity, a judicial doctrine that protects government officials from being held liable for constitutional violations, Gomez has his sights set on achieving justice.

"We want to make sure that those bad apples get weeded out the right way. We need to put people at the table who are willing to have the conversation," said Gomez.

Gomez follows in the steps of five generations of veterans and will focus on minimizing veteran homelessness across the district upon being sworn in next January. He stressed that "veterans aren't only elderly," and that, "they need to know that there are services out there for them."

Education reform is also among Gomez' greatest priorities. He's participated in the Fund our Future campaign and will continue to champion school funding, as he has for several years as a councilor.

"I want to build a community where everyone has a well-paying job that they can get to, where everyone has a home in a safe and healthy neighborhood and where everybody sends their children to a fully-funded world class school. Moving forward, I plan to make sure that we don't lose any more money when it comes to education," said Gomez.

Gomez also said he is passionate about the steps that the district can take to protect local small businesses. The COVID-19 pandemic devastated many small businesses locally, a sight Gomez said he cannot stand.

"People in this district put their hearts and souls into their dreams and small businesses. They plan for the risks, hire locally and care and invest in the community. Yet, when the pandemic struck, they were left with no answers. Many of our community businesses could not even apply for the loans and found themselves edged out by million dollar corporations that had no business receiving that aid," he said.

Welch took his defeat admirably, thanking his family, friends and constituents while describing his time in the senate as a "once in a lifetime opportunity."

Welch congratulated Gomez on a hard-fought victory, giving his opponent the ultimate compliment.

"I wish [Gomez] all the best of luck in his new position. I hope that everyone will support him in his efforts on behalf of the Hampden District and Western Mass," said Welch.

City wants to step into future, building tomorrow's blueprint

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

CHICOPEE – In the midst of dealing with COVID-19, Chicopee has initiated a community-driven comprehensive plan that will determine the shape that the city will take on two decades from now.

Last month, Mayor John Vieau launched "Envision Our Chicopee: 2040," an endeavor that will guide the city's development over the next 20 years. For many people, 2040 is an afterthought, but for the city of Chicopee, tomorrow is today's priority.

"The monumental challenges that our community has faced in 2020 oftentimes seem insurmountable," said Vieau. "However, we must not let our short-term struggles distract or deter us from setting future goals. Goal setting is essential; it provides a framework to achieve milestones and to develop a common vision that a majority are invested in working toward."

The Planning Department is spearheading the project, which is in its early stages," said City Planner Lee Pouliot. Pouliot's department is crunching data and gathering community input as it works toward building a better tomorrow.

Chicopee is one of only two cities in the state that lack a comprehensive plan; a document governing a city's direction. Pouliot is aware t2040 exists only in the distant future but emphasized the importance of beginning the mission now so that generation can thrive.

"I don't think anyone knows where we'll be in 20 years in great detail. The comprehensive plan aims to be a flexible guide," he said. "Obviously, we can't predict every economic impact that might be coming our way and can't project every environmental situation that might happen, but we call it a 'comprehensive vision' because it's meant to act as a guide [for] our dream, and we're going to start moving toward that dream."

On Sept. 3, the city hosted multiple virtual public workshops in an effort to maximize outreach and offer the residents information about the planning process, which encompasses all years between 2020 and 2040.

Vieau said the comprehensive plan will engage different segments of the community beyond the usual insiders, and increase trust surrounding the city's political climate. Vieau didn't mince words when describing the project's significance.

"The community has a once in a lifetime opportunity to advance the development of a community-driven, ambitious vision. The comprehensive plan will provide the basis for decision-making to create a more sustainable, resilient, equitable and exciting future for the city of Chicopee and its residents," said Vieau.

The city is currently developing the baseline report, an initial stage of the planning process focused on the long-term prospects of neighborhoods, roads, parkways, city services and local economy. The report will also research the availability of federal assistance.

"If we don't have that grand idea or dream of where we want to get to then it's really hard on the smaller scale when we're looking at grants for different projects to drive toward something because we're missing that umbrella that everything should plug into," said Pouliot, citing the need to form a comprehensive plan.

Vieau is more than confident in the Planning Department's capability; he is sure that it will successfully lead the project for the next two decades. Vieau credited Pouliot for earning his trust.

"If any department has the expertise required to guide the city through this process then without a doubt, it is the Planning Department," said Vieau. Pouliot has been in his position for six years.

"The department, led by Director Lee Pouliot, is prepared to shepherd Chicopee through this historic moment. Lee Pouliot has has continuously demonstrated his ability to undertake large-scale community planning initiatives while retaining a commitment to conscientious planning as a means to bring equitable representation to such projects," Vieau continued.

More information regarding the comprehensive plan can be located on the city's website.

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make drivers cognizant that there are children in the area."

Ward 7 Councilor William Courchesne successfully motioned for Police Chief William Jebb to meet with the Public Safety Committee to discuss "any and all concerns of residents." The date and time of the meeting were not specified, but it is expected to occur in the coming weeks.

"This is to piggyback on [Ward 6] Councilor [Derek] Dobosz' previous request to discuss speeding issues. We've had other things come up so instead of being tied to a specific agenda, anybody will be able to come and speak about anything that concerns them. We can accomplish a lot more that way," said Courchesne.

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Curing properly secures your harvest

IN THE GARDEN

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My onions had begun to fall over at least three weeks ago. I have been so busy that I didn't harvest them yet. Do I cure them in the hot sun or in the shade? I've forgotten. Why don't we revisit the significance of curing onions and other vegetables that are typically stored over the winter? If this important step is overlooked, we will likely be disappointed by produce that spoils long before it should have. Curing not only hardens the outer skin of the vegetable, it also finishes the ripening process of the flesh.

As for my onions, both the hot sun and the shade scenarios were found to be accurate. When three-quarters of the onion tops have fallen over push down the rest and let them sit in the ground a little while longer. Then, unearth the bulbs and lay them, tops and all, on the ground in the sun, turning occasionally. When they turn completely brown cut the stems to one inch and spread them on screens single file in a warm and dry, well-ventilated area to cure further. They can rest in that location for up to two months, then store at temperatures close to 40 degrees. Store apples, bananas and tomatoes away from onions, as these vegetables excrete ethylene gas as they ripen, causing onions to sprout prematurely. Use bulbs that have two centers first, they won't store well. It is interesting to note that the same compound that starts the tears flowing when we cut into onions- sulfur, is also a potent fungicide and bactericide. No wonder they store so well!

Potatoes are perhaps the most tricky vegetable to store. Curing them properly will help to prevent rot, premature sprouting and toxic greening of the skin and flesh. By waiting a week or more after the plant has died before digging up the tubers, the skins will thicken and be less prone to injury during harvest. Once they are dug, a week spent in a cool and totally dark space will further firm their skin and change sugars to starch, completing the ripening process. Never wash potatoes prior to storage! Gently brush off dirt and store in a single layer in the darkness at 55 to 60 degrees. Darkness will prevent greening, which renders potatoes inedible. Use any pitch-forked or shovel-marked spuds first, as damage to the skin will invite rot.

Harvest winter squash after vines have died back or prior to an impending frost. A pretty New England autumn scene is fields of pumpkins or colorful squash curing under sunny skies. If you follow the farmers lead just be sure to lift squash off the ground, and cover if rain or frost threatens. Two weeks in the field or a sunny, well-ventilated space is sufficient for curing, at which point the skin should be hard enough to resist the dent of a fingernail. Gently washing squash in a 10% bleach solution will help to prevent rot prior to storing at temperatures between 50 and 60 degrees. The flavor of many of our favorite squashes only improves with age.

I harvested my garlic three or four weeks ago; the signal was that one third of its foliage has withered and browned. It was dried stems and all in a shady, protected spot up off of the ground. Soon I'll gently rub off dirt and cut back the stems to a couple of inches before storing for the winter in a cool and dry location, in mesh bags, slatted trays or other methods. Softneck types of garlic have pliable foliage that lends itself well to braiding. In any case, allowing for good air circulation will ensure a long storage life.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.

GUEST COLUMN

Should we get married or just live together?

By Russell Gloor

SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Dear Rusty: My question is about benefits and getting married. I am a retired man, 65-years-old, and collecting Social Security plus two pensions. My girlfriend will turn 62 this October and plans to apply for Social Security benefits on her 62nd birthday. If we were to get married, would we be affected money wise? Or should we just live together? Signed: Contemplating Marriage

Dear Contemplating Marriage: Your own Social Security benefit will not be affected in any way if you get married, unless your potential new bride is a very high earner and her Social Security entitlement at her full retirement age (which is 66 years and 8 months) is more than twice the full benefit amount you were entitled to at your full retirement age (even though you claimed your benefits earlier). In that case, you would become eligible for a spousal benefit from your new wife after you are married for one year.

If, however, your potential bride is the lower earner and claims at 62, but is entitled to a Social Security benefit at her full retirement age, which is less than 50% of your FRA benefit amount, your new wife may be entitled to a "spousal boost" from you after you are married for a year. I cannot tell you the answer to those questions without knowing your respective benefit amounts at each of your full retirement ages.

You may also wish to consider potential survivor benefits. If you are married and one spouse dies, the surviving spouse is entitled to 100% of the amount the deceased spouse was collecting at their death, if the surviving spouse has reached full retirement age (otherwise the survivor benefit is reduced for claiming it early). The surviving spouse gets the survivor benefit if that benefit is more than they are entitled to on their own.

In any case, neither of you would be eligible for a Social Security spousal benefit or survivor benefit from the other unless you are married (you must be married for at least one year to get a spousal benefit and at least nine months for a survivor benefit).

Note that so-called "common law" marriage isn't recognized in most U.S. states, and Social Security goes by state law on that topic. The only states which currently recognize common law marriage are Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Texas, and Utah (and the District of Columbia). So, unless you were to live in one of those states, or in D.C., cohabiting would not be considered a "marriage" for the purposes of Social Security benefits, and no spousal or survivor benefits would be available to either of you.

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Gina Potorski-Dahl, a member of the Chicopee Education Association's Bargaining Committee, rallies outside of district headquarters ahead of the Sept. 2 School Committee meeting.

Chicopee teachers rally outside a School Committee meeting protesting the district's move to in-person teaching. *TURLEY PUBLICATIONS STAFF PHOTOS BY DALTON ZBIERSKI*

Members of the Chicopee Education Association protest outside a School Committee meeting.

Chicopee teachers protest in-person teachers outside a recent School Committee meeting.

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ditions amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Dating back several years, Demakis and the CEA have been passionate regarding numerous issues, a pattern of persistence that has alienated Ward 8 School Committee member David Schryver.

"I've never seen such a bunch of cutthroats; I've never understood how much venom can be spewed out of one person or several people in saying that we're shady and that we're downright evil," said Schryver.

Sandra Peret, Ward 4 School Committee member, voted against Demakis' request for full-release but stood up for her district colleague. Schryver's remarks were certainly his right to make, Peret said, but she advised her fellow committee members to refrain from name calling.

"I find that offensive myself so I can only imagine how others on the opposite side would feel at this time when we're all trying to work together," said Peret. "This is a highly emotional time. All of us are working to have a safe environment for the teachers and the students, so I kindly ask that we very collectively don't use the words that we're using to describe people in situations."

At-Large School Committee member Douglas Girard acknowledged that he's received plenty of phone calls regarding the issue. As the CEA demands increased transparency from the district, Girard attempted to ease its fears.

"Nothing is being held back deliberately in my opinion and as soon as we can work out some issues I think there will be more and more answers that will come down the line as soon as possible. It's everybody's goal here to let you know what is going on as soon as possible," said Girard, adding that collective bargaining is slowing the process.

Numerous committee members expressed confusion about the details of the motion to deny or approve Demakis' request. Legal Compliance Officer Rebecca Bouchard offered her own insight on the matter.

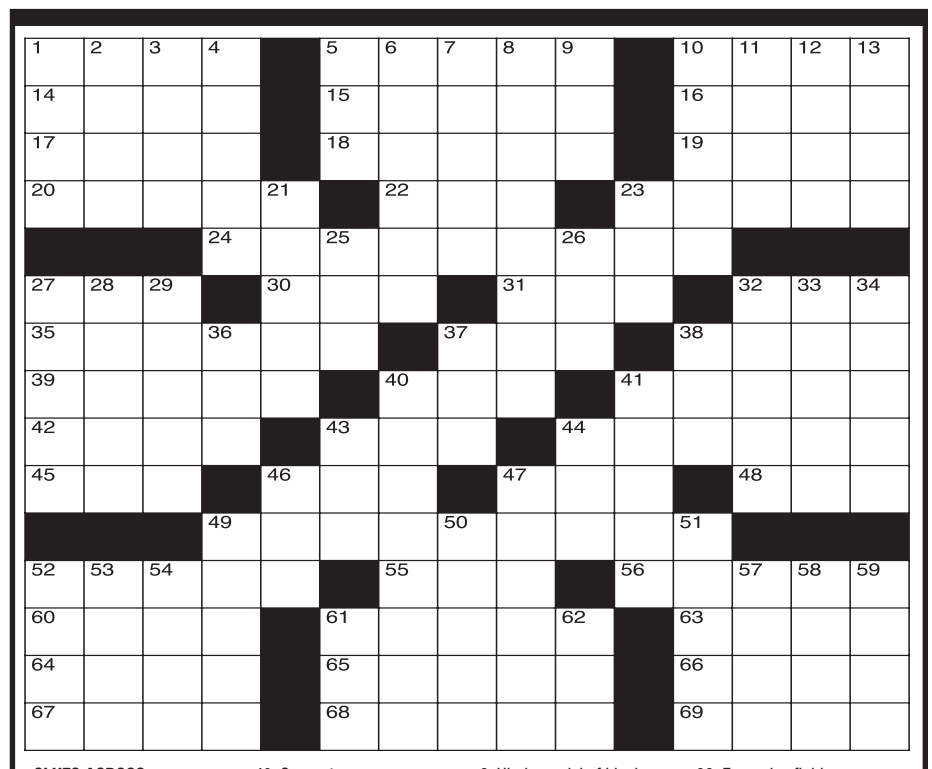
"There's a MOU (memorandum of understanding) currently between the president of the CEA and the School Committee for last school year for part-time release. She teaches half of her class load instead of the full class load. That's last year's agreement and it's coming to an end. It's already expired," said Bouchard.

Last year, the CEA "picked up about $12 to $13,000," equating to "half of the cost of a substitute for other periods that she would have been teaching," said School Superintendent Lynn Clark before explaining why full-time release this year will not be possible.

"This year, going shorter with teachers and with smaller class sizes, we definitely would be needing that full [role]. We need teachers," said Clark.

Ward 2 School Committee member David Barsalou and Ward 6 School Committee member Rep. Susan Lopes were the only committee members who voted in favor of Demakis' full-time release.

During the coming school year, Demakis will receive part-time release to focus on CEA-related responsibilities.



CLUES ACROSS
1. Aurochs
5. Central Dravidian language
10. Split pulses in Indian cooking
14. Tropical starchy tuberous root
15. Well known constellation
16. About aviation
17. Bowfin genus
18. Proper
19. Expression of annoyance
20. Cabbies
22. Bro or sis
23. Spiritual leader
24. Where football coaches work
27. Old TV part
30. A way to color
31. Touch lightly
32. Surround
35. Breached
37. Aristocratic young woman
38. Dry ravine
39. Hebrew measurement units
40. Supporter
41. Type of sword
42. Influential Irish playwright
43. Witch
44. Flower cluster
45. Mark Wahlberg's animal friend
46. Psychedelic amphetamine
47. Actors' group
48. Cool!
49. Salts
52. Group of SE China
55. Illuminated
56. Semitic Sun god
60. Water (Spanish)
61. Employed
63. Japanese ankle sock
64. Fishing fly
65. Some pheasants are this
66. Literary name for Ireland
67. Must have
68. A way to write
69. One point east of southeast

CLUES DOWN
1. American state
2. Hindu model of ideal man
3. Type of acid
4. Drenches
5. "The Raven" writer
6. Emerged
7. Alpha Centauri: __ Kentaurus
8. Democratic Presidential candidate
9. Hostelry
10. Fathers
11. Any plant with leaves used for flavoring
12. Member of a Semitic people
13. Lesotho monetary unit
21. Lots
23. Jewish address corresponding to "Sir"
25. Male parent
26. A way to get
27. Body part
28. Seam in an organ
29. Landlocked African country
32. Process for producing ammonia
33. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
34. Bogged down
36. Native American tribe
37. Unfashionable person
38. Female grunts
40. Well known
41. Gurus
43. Norse mythological site
44. Tell on
46. __ Farrow, actress
47. Cotton fabric
49. Reciter of Scandinavian poems
50. Clouds
51. Satisfies
52. Shuttered Air Force base in Germany
53. Phil __, former CIA
54. Japanese seaport
57. Female horse or zebra
58. First month of ancient Hebrew calendar
59. Trigonometric function
61. Fashionable knowledge (Slang)
62. Insecticide

CROSSWORD SOLUTION ON PAGE 9

The family of fallen Chicopee Police Officer Angela Santiago joined the staff of the Drunken Rabbit Brewery this past weekend to craft a beer in her honor.

COURTESY PHOTO

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Santiago became Chicopee High School's School Resource Officer on Feb. 10, and had maintained a steady presence at the Boys & Girls Club on Meadow Street. in Chicopee for the past several years. Santiago partook in a variety of events at the club while interacting with members and staff.

"There's going to be some proceeds that are going to go towards one of her favorite charities; the Boys & Girls Club of Chicopee. The proceeds are going to come from the pints that are sold at the brewery. We're going to donate a dollar for every pint sold at the brewery," said Coelho.

The Drunken Rabbit Brewery learned of Santiago's story when contacted by the Hopheads, a local group of craft beer enthusiasts who wanted to further extend Santiago's positive reach. Coelho plans to work with the group again in the near future to raise awareness for another important community item.

"We're actually planning a similar type of thing where we're partnering up with the Connecticut River Conservancy to clean up the Connecticut River. We're making a beer that's all about cleaning the river; made with ingredients that were harvested around the river," he said.

Focusing on the current task of producing and selling 'Amor Angela,' Coelho and his team are as motivated as ever. Drawing on the strength of Santiago's family, Coelho endeavors to do more good.

"I get the feeling that this is another thing that just brought the family closer. It was to commemorate her; there was just such a good synergy there during the brew days," he said. "It's kind of reinvigorated us because we tend to be focused a lot on the beer and the art of making the beer, but this kind of allows us to tap into the community and to people being part of it. It's just such a good vibe. You're doing something lasting that's impactful for the community."

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Most schools opting to play with modified rules

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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REGION – The "returns" are still early and many more schools will need to vote, but it appears most of the schools in Western Massachusetts are planning to return to action when fall sports are allowed to begin practicing on Sept. 18.

Schedules have yet to be created and finalized for the abbreviated "Fall 1" season, but most schools and their respective school committee have agreed that allowing students to return to their respective fields is good for a possible return to "somewhat" normalcy.

As of Labor Day, Belchertown, Holyoke, Ludlow, Minnechaug Regional, Monson, North Brookfield, Quabbin Regional, South Hadley, and Ware have confirmed they will be participating in the Fall 1 season.

This means, these schools will field teams in the following sports: boys soccer, girls soccer, field hockey, golf, cross country, and girls volleyball.

In order to be able to participate in these sports, the schools will need to follow a slew of guidelines that have been issued by the state.

There are new sport specific rules, which are subject to change as the schools navigate through the next couple of months, but all sports will have to follow a set of standard guidance which are related to areas such as social distancing, not sharing equipment, entering and exiting fields, the roles of officials, avoiding contact such as shaking hands, high-fiving, or other types of contact between teammates. There will be no post-game handshakes for the time being and officials are ordered to enter and leave the field, and do not have to sign game forms.

More school committees will be holding votes during the next week following the Labor Day holiday and schools will need to inform their respective leagues within the PVIAC whether or not they will be participating so schedules for the fall season can be developed and finalized.

It is unclear exactly how many games will be played in each individual sport. Soccer and field hockey normally play 16-18 games, and could fit almost that many with no playoffs.

The MIAA will not sponsor any playoffs, however, depending on how things go, the PVIAC could develop playoffs within leagues. Teams are supposed to be playing in a close geographic range, which will make travel from areas like the Berkshires somewhat difficult in a tournament situation.

As of press time, only

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New season, different rules

Clockwise from top left, Corner kicks will not be a part of soccer this fall due to the avoidance of head balls that result from the kicks. Head balls will be banned for this fall. Players will have to avoid contact like this under revised rules for soccer this fall. Corner kicks will not be a part of soccer this fall due to the avoidance of head balls that result from the kicks. Throw-ins will be taken away, and a free kick or pass will be the method used to bring the ball back in play. *FILE PHOTOS*

Brian Robie scores big in Sept. 5 Modified twin bill at Monadnock

WINCHESTER, N.H. – Modified top gun Brian Robie had a huge night Saturday, Sept. 5, at Monadnock Speedway.

The Sunapee, N.H. hot shoe scored both a win and a runner-up finish in a pair of NHSTRA Battle for The Cup 35-lappers, to open a huge lead in the weekly racing series Modified point standings while, at the same time gaining breathing room over number two Cup points man Matt Kimball in the Battler for the Cup Standings. .

Kimball also had a good night, leading 55 laps of the combined events, and topping the nightcap for his second Modified victory in the last two weeks. If not for being spun out of the lead in the first go-round, the second-generation Bennington, N.H. star might easily have swept Saturday's twinbill.

In other feature racing Saturday, Superman Aaron Fellows (Croydon, NH) stormed to his track-high tenth victory of the summer, while Pure Stocker Matt Lambert (Ashuelot, NH) earned his first 2020 victory lap. Mini Stock mighty man Gordon Farnum (Fitzwilliam, NH) rocketed to win number six. The Street Stock division was not active Saturday.

In the first NHSTRA Modified feature, Kimball and Robie sat on row one, the fastest pair of the 20 starters aligned by time trial results. Kimball, with Todd Patnode rocketing to his back bumper, took immediate control.

Kimball set a fast pace the first 21 laps, with Robie then using the low groove to take the lead. Two laps later, with plenty of help from behind, Kimball spun out of second.

Trevor Bleau then briefly moved up to the deuce, but that was as good as things would get for the Troy, N.H. speedster when he was slowed by mechanical failure. When the checkers waved, it was steady Brian Chapin following Robie across the finish line, with Scott MacMichael coming from row four to finish third.

Brian Robie takes the win in the main modified race. *SUBMITTED PHOTOS*

Aaron Fellows was the big winner in the late model sportsman event.

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MIAA makes statement on the fall season

FRANKLIN – The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) COVID-19 Task Force met virtually on August 27, 2020 to review and approve sport modifications for the fall 2020 sport season. The MIAA Board of Directors approved, at their August 19, 2020 meeting, the formal athletic structure for 2020-2021 season, as well as additional Educational Athletic recommendations provided by the Task Force.

These recommendations were developed after months of meetings, discussions, research and collaboration with Massachusetts Governing entities.

MIAA President and Marshfield Superintendent Jeffrey Granatino stated, "It's exciting that student-athletes and coaches from across the Commonwealth are finally able to prepare for an actual athletic season. The work that the MIAA COVID-19 Task Force and our individual sports committees put forth will allow for these sports to take place in a fashion that adheres to the safety precautions/modifications that have been recommended by the EEA."

The MIAA fall season will officially begin on September 18, 2020. The following activities were approved by the Board of Directors for the Fall I season: Soccer, Fall Gymnastics, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Girls Volleyball, Swim &Dive, Golf and Dance.

Following this structural approval, individual MIAA sport committee representatives established sport modifications in alignment with guidelines from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA), Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the MIAA. These modifications were vetted through the MIAA Sports Medicine Committee (SMC), which includes two epidemiologists who worked with both the EEA and DESE, over a series of three virtual meetings.

The MIAA Task Force unanimously approved all modifications as presented for Fall I Season during yesterday's sub-committee meeting (8/27/20). These modifications will continue to be reviewed as they relate to current regulations surrounding COVID-19 and may be modified if necessary.

MIAA President Granatino continued, "There's still a great deal of work to do, but the efforts made to date have been amazing and are why we are now able to provide our students with an opportunity to take part in activities that they love and miss dearly."

All participating MIAA member schools are expected to adhere to these sport modifications.

MIAA Executive Director Bill Gaine added, "On behalf of the membership, I enthusiastically advance pride and gratitude to MIAA Task Force members, the MIAA Sports Medicine and sport committee representatives for their valuable contributions in providing a blueprint for MIAA student athletes to participate in educational athletics this fall season. Stakeholders' participation, guidance and collaboration with DESE and EEA warrant like appreciation."

Basketball Hall to have first colorized minted coins

SPRINGFIELD – In August 2020, the U.S. Mint releases its first colorized coins as part of the Basketball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Program. The program recognizes the 60th anniversary of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame with curved coins in gold, silver, and clad. A limited number of silver proof and clad uncirculated coins are colorized on the reverse side. The silver coin features a colored net, rim, and channels on the basketball. The clad coin colorizes the entire basketball as well as the net and rim.

Colorizing coins appeared in the early 1990s by nations such as Uganda, Equatorial Guinea, and Palau. Now many countries around the world make colorized coins. Canada and Australia are large producers of these coins and develop many innovative techniques for applying color. The Royal Canadian Mint was the first to produce a colorized circulating coin, the 25-cent coin, in 2004.

Coins are colorized by methods such as applying a "sticker" to the surface, adding ink or paint through a computerized "printing" process, or enameling by filling recessed areas with paint. The U.S. Mint used a third-party to colorize the Basketball commemorative coins using an automated process.

The Basketball Hall of Fame Colorized Silver Coin features a white net, dark orange rim, and black channels on the basketball. Channels are the seams that go around the ball. Limiting the color on the ball to the channels retains the look of the silver and texture of the basketball.

The clad colorized coin features an orange basketball with black channels, white net, and dark orange rim. Applying color to the whole basketball enhances the curvature of the coin and gives it a three-dimensional effect. The colors of the net and rim enhance the effect. The orange color of the basketball matches the hue associated with the sport.

In addition to the colorized silver and clad coins, the Basketball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Program includes gold, silver, and clad coins without color in proof and uncirculated finishes. All the coins in the program share the same obverse and reverse designs that celebrate the sport of basketball and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

Bay State Games launches Future Leaders Scholarship

REGION – The Bay State Games is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2020 Future Leaders Scholarship Program. This marks the thirty-second year of this valuable scholarship program that recognizes the leaders of tomorrow who excel in academics, community service, and athletics. The scholarship program is available to any Massachusetts High School student in the class of 2021. Due to the cancellation of the 2020 Summer Games, participation in the Bay State Games is not required but is recommended. Six $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the top applicants.

"Bay State Games is proud to provide valuable college scholarships to student-athletes representing high schools and communities from across Massachusetts," said Bay State Games Executive Director, Kevin Cummings. "While the COVID-19 pandemic impacted our traditional spring timeframe for this scholarship, we have moved the process to the fall to ensure that students in the class of 2021 will still have access to this opportunity. I encourage all former Bay State Games Summer and Winter Games participants currently entering their senior year of high school to apply."

Candidates must submit their application information online by October 15, 2020. The selection process will begin with a review of each student's application, written recommendations, and transcripts. A number of students will then be selected for virtual interviews which will be conducted the week of November 9. At the conclusion of interviews, six statewide scholarship winners will be announced.

Additional information on the scholarship and a link to an application form can be found at www.baystategames.org/future-leaders-scholarship.

For questions, email info@baystategames.org or call 781-932-6555.

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Tri-County to hold golf tournament

BELCHERTOWN – The Tri-County Baseball League, the premier adult baseball league in Western Massachusetts, will hold its annual golf tournament at Mill Valley Golf Links in Belchertown on Saturday, Oct. 3 with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is $80 per player. If you're unable to play, there are donations and hole sponsorships available. The tournament will include lunch during the round, raffle, closest to the pin, longest drive, and a special 50/50 drawing. For more information, go to www.tri-countybaseball.net. The registration form is on that website.

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Southwick Regional School has publicly reported it will not participate in the Fall 1 season. If it allows fall sports in the Fall 2 season in February, the school could have trouble finding other schools to play by not participating in the Fall 1 season.

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The Modified nightcap was an often brutal event, slowed by no fewer than seven caution and one red-flag delays. What was certain at the end was that Matt Kimball, from row two, had led all but the first lap, brining his refuse-to-lose attitude to this one and scoring his second win of the year. Robie, from 14th, was second.

Modified rookie Solomon Brow walked away from a bone-crunching crash into the backchute wall on lap 18. Trevor Bleau, who'd grenaded to 18th in the first go-round, sat out the nightcap, falling from third in the late-season point standings deep into the top ten.

Aaron Fellows went low under lappers on the ninth circuit of the Late Model Sportsman feature and then checked out on the 13-car field to win for the tenth time in eleven outings.

At 41, Fellows has been winning races for a quarter century. Saturday's runner-up, teen Camdyn Curtis, doesn't even have a driver's license yet. Still, though, the Baltimore, VT. young gun had everyone but Fellows covered, outrunning cagey veteran Robert Hagar to earn the second-place trophy.

Mini Stock points leader Gordon Farnum made easy work of scoring his sixth win of 2020. Taking the lead on lap eight, the Fitzwilliam Flyer outran Kevin Cormier to the checkers, with number two points man Nathan Wenzel third.

The Pure Stock feature was a battle of two up-and-coming drivers each bidding for his first win of the season. Bruce Clark led the first 21 go-rounds, with Matt Lambert, who'd ridden in his shadow all the way, then taking over from the top groove and dashing away to victory.

Chris Davis, looking for his fourth win of the season, got up for second, with Jimmy Zellman third, Clark fourth, and points leader Mike Douglas fifth, ending the night's action 36 points ahead of Davis, the defending Pure Stock champion.

Doug Meservey Jr. led all the way in the Pro-4 Modified 30-lapper. Randy Cabral was second under the checkers, with Al Reiser topping the Pro-4 Lites class.

In Senior Tour Auto Racing events, Richard Eastman of Merrick, Mass. topped the STAR Sportsman 15-lapper aboard a Pinto. Curt Snow, of West Warren, Mass., got the job done in the STAR Modifieds with his 1936 Chevy Coupe.

With only three scheduled racing events remaining in its exciting 2020 season, Monadnock Speedway will return to action next Saturday, September 12. For more information, please visit www.monadnockspeedway.com.

MONADNOCK SPEEDWAY SEPTEMBER 5 TOP TENS:

NHSTRA Modified Feature 1 Results: Brian Robie, Brian Chapin, Scott MacMichael, Stewart McCormack, Ben Byrne, Alyssa Rivera, Russ Hersey, Kim Rivet, Jason Houle, Chris Riendeau, Matt Kimball, Todd Patnode, Solomon Brow, Cory Plummer, Cameron Houle, Brad Zahensky, Jerry Gomarlo, Trevor Bleau, Eric Leclair, Brian Crunden, Kevin Pittsinger

NHSTRA Modified #2 Results (Unofficial): Matt Kimball, Brian Robie, Ben Byrne, Brian Chapin, Chris Riendeau, Cory Plummer, Kim Rivet, Eric Leclair, Jerry Gomarlo, Jason Houle, Kevin Pittsinger, Todd Patnode, Brad Zahensky, Stewart McCormack, Alyssa Rivera, Cameron Houle, Solomon Brow, Russ Hersey, Scott MacMichael

Late Model Sportsman: Aaron Fellows, Camdyn Curtis, Robert Hagar, Cole Littlewood, Justin Littlewood, Will Kuhn, Dan Comeau, Ronald Laperche, Scott Beck, Nancy Muni-Ruot, Chris Ballas, Matt Winter, Chris Jackson

Mini Stock Results: Gordon Farnum, Kevin Cormier, Nathan Wenzel, Kevin Clayton, Jeff Asselin, Kevin McKnight Jr, Tim Leblanc, Joshua Hubbard, Kevin Russell, Erin Aiken, Jake Puchalski, Jeff Heath, Dave Pratt, Adam Sprague, Shelby Avery, Louis Maher , Eric Banks, DNQ - Nadine Coates, DNQ - Tyson Payne

Pure Stock Results: Matt Lambert, Chris Davis, Jimmy Zellman, Bruce Clark, Mike Douglas, Damon Roy, Randy Phillips, Nick Houle, Jason Leray, CJ Johnson, Doug Nelson, Cory Lofland, JD Stockwell, Reagan Buffum, Ben Sylvester, Steve Zebrowski, Brandon Lavoie

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CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL ZONING COMMITTEE LEGAL NOTICE

The Zoning Committee of the Chicopee City Council will hold a public hearing **Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 6:30 PM*** in the Council Chambers, 4th floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 to discuss the following:

Special Permit application under section 275-58 (C) (5) for the purpose of utilizing the property as a commercial space with a studio apartment located at 3 Hartford St. Applicant – CAP Holdings, LLC, Cheryl Przezdziecki, 3 Hartford St., Chicopee, MA 01020.

The plans/application can be viewed on the City Council website https://www.chicopeema.gov/880/Pending-Applications

***COVID-19:** Pursuant to the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL c. 30A due to the novel Coronavirus outbreak, the September 30, 2020 Zoning Committee hearing shall be available to the public via zoom and in person. As required, alternative public access to this hearing shall be provided in the following manner: The hearing will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Anyone wishing to participate either in person in the Chambers or remotely shall, provide notice to the Office of the City Council by calling (413) 594-1435 M-F 8:30 AM – 5 PM or by email at aczarniecki@chicopeema.gov by September 28, 2020. Those giving such notice will need to identify the public hearing and provide their name, address and contact phone number to minimize the potential for zoom bombing of the meeting and if attending in person to be screened as required by the City of Chicopee. The hearing will be available for viewing on Spectrum Access Channel 191 or the Chicopee TV website Facebook.com/ChicopeeTV and or https://vimeo.com/chicopeetv.

The petition and materials related to this proposal are on file in the Office of the City Council, Chicopee City Hall, 274 Front Street, (plans and applications are also available on the City Council website https://www.chicopeema.gov/880/Pending-Applications.) You may also call (413) 594-1435 or email aczarniecki@chicopeema.gov.
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Special Permit application under section 275-53 (B) (14) for the purpose of a dog kennel license in backyard for our huskies, golden retriever, beabull and our blue pit mixes located at 29 Concord St. Applicant – Brandon & Angela Klusman, 29 Concord St., Chicopee, MA 01020.

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Special Permit application under section 275-22 (C) for the purpose of construction of a (12'x16') four-season room at rear of existing single family home located in a Business zone located at 505 Chicopee St. James A. Cornelio, 505 Chicopee St., Chicopee, MA 01013.

The plans/application can be viewed on the City Council website https://www.chicopeema.gov/880/Pending-Applications

***COVID-19:** Pursuant to the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL c. 30A due to the novel Coronavirus outbreak, the September 30, 2020 Zoning Committee hearing shall be available to the public via zoom and in person. As required, alternative public access to this hearing shall be provided in the following manner: The hearing will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Anyone wishing to participate either in person in the Chambers or remotely shall, provide notice to the Office of the City Council by calling (413) 594-1435 M-F 8:30 AM – 5 PM or by email at aczarniecki@chicopeema.gov by September 28, 2020. Those giving such notice will need to identify the public hearing and provide their name, address and contact phone number to minimize the potential for zoom bombing of the meeting and if attending in person to be screened as required by the City of Chicopee. The hearing will be available for viewing on Spectrum Access Channel 191 or the Chicopee TV website Facebook.com/ChicopeeTV and or https://vimeo.com/chicopeetv.

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9/10, 9/17/2020

CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL ZONING COMMITTEE LEGAL NOTICE

The Zoning Committee of the Chicopee City Council will hold a public hearing **Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 6:30 PM*** in the Council Chambers, 4th floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 to discuss the following:

Special Permit application under section 275-72 for the purpose of Adult Use of Marijuana – Marijuana Retailer – License Group B located at 1269 Memorial Dr. Applicant – James Robinson DBA JimBudys Rec Shop, 30 Vadnais St., Chicopee, MA 01020.

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Special Permit application under section 275-22 (C) for the purpose of expanding a non-conforming residential use on Business A zoned property located at 1570 Donohue Rd. Applicant – Anthony Wolf, 1570 Donohue Rd., Chicopee, MA 01020.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD20P1466EA
Estate of:
Corinne Emma Roberts
Date of Death: 08/04/2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Scott W Hocking** of North Andover MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Scott W Hocking** of North Andover MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/28/2020**.

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UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland,** First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 31, 2020

Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate

9/10/2020

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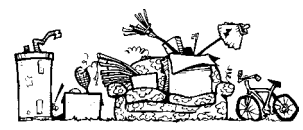

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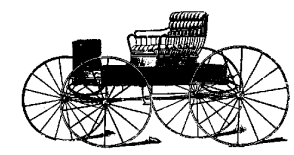

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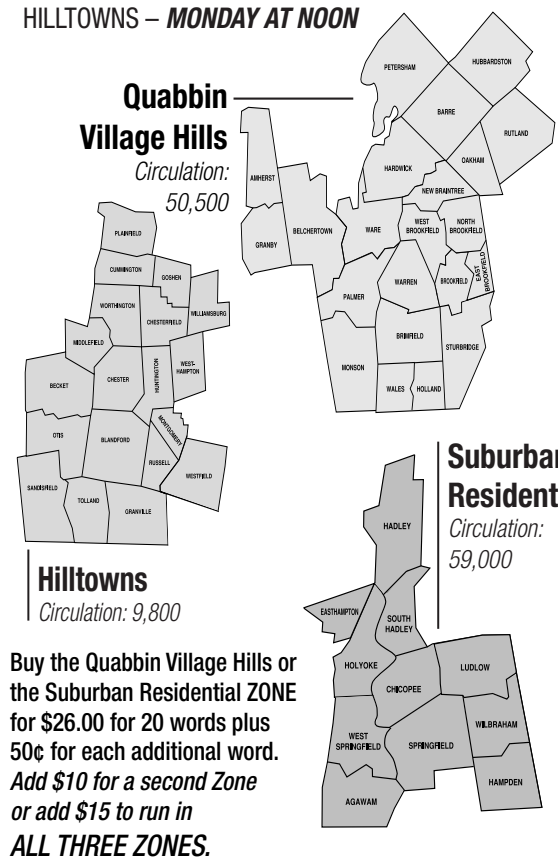

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The Trial Court
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Docket No. HD20P1436PM
In the matter of:
Jose Rodriguez
Of: Chicopee, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 & §5-405

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Willimansett Center West of Chicopee, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jose Rodriguez** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Alison M Bartlett-O'Donald of Holyoke, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **With Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before **10:00 A.M. on the return date of 09/23/2020**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 26, 2020
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
9/10/2020

SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES
Under G.L. c.255 Sec. 39A

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
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(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD20P1467EA
Estate of:
Fleurette Jeanne Dunne
Date of Death: 02/19/2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Valerie Campos** of South Hadley, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Valerie Campos** of South Hadley, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/25/2020**.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland,** First Justice of this Court.
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